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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Final Office Action of the United States Patent and Trademark Office dated August 31, 2005. This amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination in order that the present amendments to the claims be entered and considered.

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Please amend the application as follows: